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### **Chief Leach announces promotions**

RIVERSIDE, CA – Chief Russ Leach is pleased to announce the promotion of three sworn members of the Riverside Police Department, effective January 25, 2008.

**Captain John Carpenter** is currently the commander of the Special Investigations Bureau, comprised of the gangs, narcotics, vice, and intelligence units, and state and federal narcotics task forces. Carpenter was born in the Midwest and moved to Riverside as a child. He is a 1979 graduate of Ramona High School. After graduating from Riverside Community College in 1981, he was awarded a full athletic scholarship to California State University-Fullerton, where he graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice in 1984. Carpenter joined the Riverside Police Department later that year. Assignments have included Patrol, Field Training Officer, School Resource Officer, Administration, Robbery/Homicide, SWAT, Gangs, Narcotics and Traffic. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1994, and to Lieutenant in 2001. Awards include Chamber of Commerce recognition of an investigation of gang-related robberies and assaults, and commendation for saving a suicidal subject from a sixth-floor ledge. Carpenter is a graduate of the Los Angeles Police Department's West Point Leadership Program, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Drug Unit Commander's Course and the FBI National Academy. He and wife Beth have two children



**Lieutenant Chris Manning** also moved to Riverside as a youth. He is a 1974 graduate of Notre Dame High School. He received degrees in Criminal Justice from both Riverside Community College and California State University-Fullerton. He attended the Orange County Sheriff's Academy and became an Orange County Sheriff's deputy in 1977. He made the lateral transfer to the Riverside Police Department in 1979, where he served in Patrol, as a School Resource Officer, Field Training Officer, Public Information Officer and background investigator. He was promoted to Detective in 1990 and served with the Juvenile, Auto Theft and Gang units. Promoted to Sergeant in 1993, Manning has been assigned to Investigations, Personnel, Problem-Oriented Policing (POP Team), SWAT, Burglary and Homicide and, most recently as supervisor of the Sexual Assault/Child Abuse (SACA) Unit.

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Manning was awarded the Department's Medal of Valor in 1999 in connection to response to the City Hall shooting in October 1998. Lt. Manning has four grown children and is married to Riverside Police Sgt. Jaybee Brennan.

**Sergeant Denny Corbett** is a Riverside native and a 1991 graduate from Ramona High School. Corbett graduated from the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy and began his law enforcement career as a Riverside County Sheriff's Deputy in 1996, before transferring to the Riverside Police Department as a lateral officer in 1997. His duties have included Patrol, Field Training Officer, METRO/SWAT, including three years as team leader; and most recently in the Training Unit, where he has been responsible for training new academy recruits. Sgt. Corbett and his wife, Karla, have three children

New assignments for those promoted have not been finalized.

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